



## PRELIMINARY AGENDA

### Navigating COP Negotiations: A Guide for Parliamentarians on Participation and the Oversight of Multilateral Environmental Agreement Commitments

*As part of the series of pre-COP30 meetings*

 Virtual | July 24, 2025

10:30 - 12:30 (UTC - 4)

*Interpretation will be provided in English and Spanish*

This meeting will provide parliamentarians with a comprehensive understanding of the evolving landscape of Multilateral Environmental Agreement (MEA) negotiations, highlighting both the structural dynamics and the strategic entry points for parliamentarians of the Americas and the Caribbean. Through expert presentations, insights from negotiation participants, and interactive dialogue, the session will explore how parliamentarians can play a pivotal role in not only ratifying agreements, but also in ensuring accountability, securing adequate resources, and advancing inclusive, equitable climate policies that support effective implementation and align with broader sustainable development objectives.

A. 08:30 (UTC – 06:00)	B. 09:30 (UTC – 05:00)	C. 10:30 (UTC – 04:00)	D. 11:30 (UTC – 03:00)
Belize Costa Rica El Salvador Guatemala Honduras Mexico - Mexico City Nicaragua	Colombia Ecuador Jamaica Panama Peru	Antigua and Barbuda Barbados Bolivia Canada - Ottawa Chile - Santiago Dominica Dominican Republic Grenada Guyana Saint Kitts and Nevis Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines The Bahamas Trinidad and Tobago	Argentina Brazil - Brasilia Paraguay Uruguay Suriname

## Opening Remarks

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- The Honourable Dr. **Dessima Williams** (Grenada), President of the Senate and ParlAmericas Board Member

## Panel discussion - Voices at the Table: Collaborating for Impact

<b>A. 08:40</b> (UTC – 06:00)	<b>B. 09:40</b> (UTC – 05:00)	<b>C. 10:40</b> (UTC – 04:00)	<b>D. 11:40</b> (UTC – 03:00)
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This panel will bring together stakeholders with experience in both global and regional negotiation processes to share insights into how they have successfully advanced their priorities throughout these processes, while also highlighting ongoing gaps within the negotiations where parliaments can be allies. Panellists will also offer recommendations for parliamentarians to strengthen oversight on the commitments made in these negotiation spaces, and to ensure that policies aimed at fulfilling environmental agreements are designed and implemented inclusively and empower vulnerable communities.

Moderator: Senator **Anthony Vieira** (Trinidad and Tobago), Vice-President for the Caribbean for the PNCCS

- *Parliamentary participation at Negotiations*: The Honourable Senator **Rosa Galvez** (Canada), President of the PNCCS
- *Youth Leadership and Meaningful Participation in Climate Negotiations*: **Shurabe Mercado**, Member of YOUNGO and founder and CEO of “SEHALUZ”
- *Linking Climate Change and Health in Regional and Global Forums*: Dr. **Daniel Buss**, Unit Chief of the Climate Change and Health Unit at PAHO

## Q/A and Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue

<b>A. 09:20</b> (UTC – 06:00)	<b>B. 10:20</b> (UTC – 05:00)	<b>C. 11:20</b> (UTC – 04:00)	<b>D. 12:20</b> (UTC – 03:00)
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This dialogue session will provide a space for participants to ask questions to experts, share their experiences and challenges while participating at negotiation spaces such as COPs, holding the Executive Branch accountable to environmental commitments, and/or ensuring climate actions remain integrated with national development priorities.

Moderator: Senator **Anthony Vieira** (Trinidad and Tobago), Vice-President for the Caribbean for the PNCCS

- Commentator: Senator **Iván Flores** (Chile), President of ParlAmericas

## Closing Reflections

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- Member of the Chamber of Deputies **Margarita Stolbizer** (Argentina), Vice-President for South America for the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Climate Change and Sustainability

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*This meeting is part of a series of virtual meetings focused on climate and environmental topics being convened by ParlAmericas to support parliamentary engagement and learning around COP30 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The themes of the virtual meetings align with priorities expressed by parliamentarians in relation to the regional climate agenda and will also be of importance in the COP30 dialogues.*



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